# 2008 Current Fiscal Year Report: Human Impacts of Climate Change Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Environmental Protection Agency 2008

3. Committee or Subcommittee 3b. GSA Committee No.

Human Impacts of Climate Change Advisory Committee 31932

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 05/29/2007 05/30/2008

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

Yes 05/30/2008

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Reg to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Terminate No

11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority

13. Effective 14. Commitee 14c.

Date Type Presidential?

Advisory Committee Establishment

04/27/2007 Ad hoc No

**Decision Document** 

15. Description of Committee Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of** No Reports for this

**Reports** FiscalYear

17a. Open 2 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 2 Meetings and Dates

Purpose Start End

The HICCAC met to conduct an expert peer review of the external review draft report entitled"

"Synthesis and Assessment Product 4.6:Analyses of the effects of global change on huiman health and 10/15/2007 - 10/16/2007 welfare and human systems," (SAP 4.6). Face-to-face meeting.

Teleconference to review the revised Synthesis and Assessment Product (SAP 4.6) that analyzes the impacts of global change on human health, human settlements, and human welfare.

01/14/2008 - 01/14/2008

# **Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2**

	Current FY N	lext FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$11,554.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$65,000.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$7,883.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$770.00	\$0.00

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18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$46,000.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$131,207.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.50	0.00

## 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Human Impacts of Climate Change Advisory Committee (HICCAC) supports the EPA in its participation in the interagency U. S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP), specifically in implementation of Goal 4 of the Strategic Plan for the CCSP, and in completing its goal of conducting periodic assessments of climate change and variability under the Global Change Research Act of 1990. The EPA is the Administration's lead agency responsible for producing the Synthesis and Assessment Product (SAP 4.6). This product is entitled "Analyses of the effects of global change on human health and welfare and human systems." The existence and the function of the HICCAC supports CCSP Goal 4: "Understanding the sensitivity and adaptability of different natural and managed ecosystems and human systems to climate and related global changes." HICCAC conducted an expert peer review of SAP 4.6. The HICCAC provided peer review advice in the form of individual member comments. There are no other existing EPA advisory committees that have the breadth of technical expertise that is needed for the scientific review of this report. By bringing together a cross section of knowledgeable individuals with the needed range of expertise, a more effective discussion will occur of the highly technical and complex scientific and policy-related issues.

## 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Nominations for membership on the HICCAC were solicited through the Federal Register. Balanced membership considerations were characterized by: inclusion of the necessary areas of technical expertise, different scientific perspectives within each technical discipline, and the collective breadth of experience needed to address the Agency's charge.

### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

Estimated Number of Meetings per Year - 1 Face to Face Meeting; 1 Public Conference Call for peer review of the "Analyses of the effects of global change on human health and welfare and human systems."

# 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Human Impacts of Climate Change Advisory Committee (HICCAC) is necessary to

support the EPA in its participation in the interagency U. S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP), specifically in implementation of Goal 4 of the Strategic Plan for the CCSP, and in completing its goal of conducting periodic assessments of climate change and variability under the Global Change Research Act of 1990.

**20e.** Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings? There were no closed meetings.

#### 21. Remarks

# **Designated Federal Officer**

Joanna Foellmer Designated Federal Officer

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Diotz Thomas	10/07/2007	05/30/3008	Michigan State University, Environmental Science and	Special Government
Dietz, Thomas 10/07/2007		03/30/2000	Policy Program, East Lansing, Michigan	Employee (SGE) Member
Entwisle,	10/14/2007	05/30/2008	University of North Carolina, Carolina Population Center,	Special Government
Barbara 10/14/2007		03/30/2000	Chapel Hill, NC	Employee (SGE) Member
Frumkin, 10/14/2007 Howard	05/30/2008	U. S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, Atlanta, GA	Regular Government	
		o. c. comoro for Biocaco Comitor a Frovoltion, Finanta, Cr	Employee (RGE) Member	
Gleick, Peter 10/07/2007	10/07/2007	05/30/2008	Pacific Institute, Studies in Development, Environment,	Special Government
	00/00/2000	Security, Oakland, CA	Employee (SGE) Member	
Patz, Jonathan	10/07/2007	05/30/2008	University of Wisconsin at Madison, Nelson Institute for	Special Government
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Pulwarty,	10/14/2007	05/30/2008	U. S. Department of Commerce, NOAA, Boulder, CO	Regular Government
Roger			·	Employee (RGE) Member
Rosa, Eugene	10/07/2007	05/30/2008	Washington State University, Department of Sociology,	Special Government
			Pullman, WA	Employee (SGE) Member
Stonich, Susan	10/07/2007	05/30/2008	University of California, Environmental Studies Program,	Special Government
•			Santa Barbara, CA	Employee (SGE) Member

### **Number of Committee Members Listed: 8**

### **Narrative Description**

The Human Impacts of Climate Change Advisory Committee (HICCAC) supported EPA's Goal 1 - Clean Air and Global Climate Changes, as well as, the EPA's participation in the interagency U. S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP). Specifically HICCAC supported EPA's participation with Goal 4 of the Strategic Plan for the CCSP, and in completing its goal of conducting periodic assessments of climate change and variability under the Global Change Research Act of 1990. The EPA is the Administration's lead agency responsible for producing the Synthesis and Assessment Product (SAP 4.6). This product is entitled "Analyses of the effects of global change on human health and welfare and human systems." The existence and the function of the HICCAC supports CCSP Goal 4: "Understanding the sensitivity and adaptability of different natural and managed

ecosystems and human systems to climate and related global changes." The primary responsibility of the committee is to conduct an expert peer review of SAP 4.6. The HICCAC provided advice to the EPA administrator on the conduct of this study. There are no other existing EPA advisory committees that have the breadth of technical expertise that is needed for the scientific review of this report. By bringing together a cross section of knowledgeable individuals with the needed range of expertise, a more effective discussion will occur of the highly technical and complex scientific and policy-related issues.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated v	vith this committee?
	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	
Trust in government	✓
Major policy changes	
Advance in scientific research	✓
Effective grant making	
Improved service delivery	
Increased customer satisfaction	✓
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	
Other	
Outcome Comments	
NA	
What are the cost savings associated with this committee?	
	Checked if Applies
None	
Unable to Determine	✓
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	
Cost Savings Other	

**Cost Savings Comments** 

NA

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?  338	
Number of Recommendations Comments  Recommendations were in the form of peer review comments from individual committee members (thus the large number of recommendations/comments).	
What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?	
% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments  10% not implemented were considered unnecessary.	
What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency? $0\%$	
% of Recommendations <u>Partially</u> Implemented Comments n/a	
Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?  Yes № No Not Applicable □	
Agency Feedback Comments  The EPA Administrator responded to the Chair and Co-Chair giving them a detailed list of what recommendations were implemented.	
What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?	
Checked if Applies	
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation  Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	

Action Comments NA	
Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for g	rants?
Grant Review Comments NA	
How is access provided to the information for the Committee	s's documentation?
	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	✓
Online GSA FACA Web Site	✓
Publications	
Other	
Access Comments	
N/A	